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SUBJECT: GOT REQUESTS LOCKHEED INVESTIGATION

DOCUMENTS

1. IN A MEETING AFTERNOON MARCH 26 MFA SEC GEN ELEKDAG  
(IN ADDITION TO OTHER SUBJECTS BEING SEPARATELY REPORTED)  
RAISED SUBJECT OF THE LOCKHEED PAY-OFF SCANDALS. HE REPORTED  
THAT IN A MEETING WITH SENATOR CHURCH, AMBASSADOR ESENBEL  
HAD ASKED THAT ALL INFORMATION ON THIS MATTER WHICH RELATED  
IN ANY WAY TO TURKEY BE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE GOT.  
AMBASSADOR ESENBEL HAD BEEN SUBSEQUENTLY ASKED BY THE GOT  
TO GO BACK TO CHURCH AND ASK THE SENATOR TO GIVE THE GOT  
THE NAMES OF ALL TURKS INVOLVED IN ANY POSSIBLE WRONG DOING.  
MOREOVER, TO EXTENT CHURCH COMMITTEE DID NOT HAVE THIS  
INFORMATION IN ITS POSSESSION, ESENBEL WAS REQUESTED TO ASK  
SENATOR CHURCH TO GO BACK TO THE COMPANY,  
SEEK THIS OUT, AND TO PASS ON WHATEVER IT OBTAINED TO THE  
GOT. ELEKDAG SAID THAT, UNFORTUNATELY, ESENBEL HAD NOT  
BEEN ABLE TO SEE SENATOR CHURCH A SECOND TIME IN ORDER  
TO MAKE THIS ADDITIONAL REQUEST IN PERSON. HE HAD  
ENDED UP, THEREFORE, SENDING IT TO THE COMMITTEE IN  
WRITTEN FORM.

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2. WITH THIS AS BACKGROUND, ELEKDAG THEN ASKED FOR PARALLEL EXECUTIVE BRANCH ASSISTANCE ON THIS SAME SUBJECT. THE FOLLOWING AIDE MEMOIRE, WHICH HE HANDED TO ME AT THE END OF OUR MEETING, ACCURATELY SUMMARIZES THE SPECIFICS OF HIS REQUEST.

BEGIN AIDE MEMOIRE: THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS REQUESTS THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO KINDLY CONVEY TO ITS GOVERNMENT THE OFFICIAL DEMAND OF THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT TO KINDLY MAKE AVAILABLE, AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE, TO THE LATTER ALL DOCUMENTS, RECORDS AND INFORMATION REGARDING ALLEGED LOCKHEED PAYOFFS, INCLUDING THE NAMES OF THOSE WHO MIGHT BE INVOLVED, WHICH MIGHT HELP THE INVESTIGATIONS NOW BEING CONDUCTED IN TURKEY TO DETERMINE THE VALIDITY AND THE REAL ASPECT OF ALLEGATIONS REGARDING PAYOFFS TO SOME TURKISH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS IN ORDER TO PROMOTE SALES OF AIRCRAFTS MANUFACTURED BY LOCKHEED AIRCRAFT CORPORATION. IN CASE THE DOCUMENTS AND INFORMATION PRESENTLY AVAILABLE MAY NOT BE COMPLETE ENOUGH TO ENABLE THE INVESTIGATION TO BE CONCLUSIVE, IT WOULD BE HIGHLY APPRECIATED IF ALL LEGAL STEPS, INCLUDING NECESSARY ACTION WITH THE CONGRESS, COULD BE TAKEN WITH A VIEW TO OBTAINING FROM THE SAID CORPORATION ALL AVAILABLE DOCUMENTS AND INFORMATION WHICH WOULD HELP TO ASCERTAIN THE VALIDITY OF THE EXISTING ALLEGATIONS REFERRED TO ABOVE. END AIDE MEMOIRE.

3. AS HE HANDED ME THIS AIDE MEMOIRE, ELEKDAG STRESSED THAT A NUMBER OF TURKISH "GOOD NAMES" AND REPUTATIONS WERE NOW UNDER A CLOUD AND THE GOVERNMENT WAS DETERMINED TO ESTABLISH THE FACTS ONE WAY OR THE OTHER. IN RESPONSE, I SAID I WAS SURE THAT WASHINGTON WOULD WANT TO BE AS HELPFUL AS POSSIBLE TO THIS GOT EFFORT.

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